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a) M is extended to run or continues to run 3 months from the date of the	Dockst by AZ	_ mal
b) expires three months from the date of the final rejection or as of the mailing date of this Advisory Active event however, will the statutory period for the response expire later than six months from the date of		
Any extension of time must be obtained by filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a), the proposed response The date on which the response, the petition, and the fee have been filed is the date of the response purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. Any extension are the calculated from the date of the originally set shortened statutory period for response or as	conse and the appropriate fee. pro and also the date for the asion fee pursuant to 37 CFR	ev. cketa
Appellant's Brief is due in accordance with 37 CFR 1.192(a).		
Applicant's response to the final rejection, filed 3/22/99 has been considered with the following to place the application in condition for allowance:	ng effect, but it is not deemed	
1. The proposed amendments to the claim and /or specification will not be entered and the final rejection	stands because;	
 a. There is no convincing showing under 37 CFR 1,116(b) why the proposed amendment is necessitive. 	sary and was not earlier	
b. They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See Note).		
c. They raise the issue of new matter. (See Note).		
d. They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing appeal.	or simplifying the issues for	
e. They present additional claims without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.	aims.	
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Newly proposed or amended claims would be allowed if submitted in a separate the non-allowable claims.	ly filed amendment cancelling	
3. Dupon the filing an appeal, the proposed amendment will be entered will not be entered and be as follows:	the status of the claims will	
Claims allowed:		
Claims objected to: 1-6, 8-17, 19-34		
However:		
Applicant's response has overcome the following rejection(s):		
4. The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconsideration has been considered but does not overcome the standard for exhibit will not be considered because applicant has not shown good and sufficent reasonable for the standard f	rejection because the last Last	+, _e
5. The affidavit or exhibit will not be considered because applicant has not shown good and sufficent respresented.	asons why it was not earlier	,
☐ The proposed drawing correction ☐ has ☐ has not been approved by the examiner. ☐ Other	Ambia Au	
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